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ATTENTION DRAWING REVIEW BRANCH

Sir:

Applicant has received and reviewed the Office Action dated April 1, 2003 in which Figure 1 of the drawings of the above-identified National Stage application, which stemmed from a PCT application, was objected to due to copy machine markings and poor line quality. In response to the Office's objection to Figure 1 of the drawings, applicant contact Draftsperson Randolph on May 21, 2003 to inquire why the drawing(s) of an application stemming from a PCT application was objected to as it was the applicant's understanding that drawings of a PCT international application are transferred from the PCT Office to the U.S. Patent Office for a U.S. National Stage patent application.

Draftsperson Randolph informed applicant that the requirements in some international patent offices for drawings may be different from the requirements of the U.S. Patent Office and that the

primary reason why Draftsperson Randolph objected to Figure 1 was because the copy of Figure 1 that Draftsperson Randolph received contained excessive copy machine markings.

Draftsperson Randolph, however, suggestion that if applicant has a clean copy of Figure 1 in the applicant's possession, that the applicant should submit the clean copy to the Draftsperson for approval.

Per the suggestion of Draftsperson Randolph, enclosed is a clean copy of Figure 1 of the applicant's drawings for the above-identified application. Please substitute the enclosed drawing of Figures 1 for the corresponding drawing of Figure 1 on file.

A clean copy of Figure 1 of the applicant's drawings has also been send to the Examiner. Please charge any comparison fees to deposit account 10-0210.

Respectfully submitted,

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